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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.   (Currently Amended) A system for consolidating adjustments comprising:

an accounting adjustment journal configured for receiving at least one accounting adjustment entry, wherein said accounting adjustment journal is separate from an accounting consolidation ledger;

a proforma accounting consolidation processor configured for consolidating the at least one accounting adjustment entry with the accounting consolidation ledger into at least one consolidated accounting adjustment entry; and

an accounting pending journal configured for storing the at least one consolidated accounting adjustment entry, wherein said accounting pending journal is separate from said accounting consolidation ledger and said accounting adjustment journal.

2.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1 further comprising an inquiry module configured for displaying the at least one consolidated accounting adjustment entry.

3.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1 further comprising an inquiry module configured for displaying at least one proforma accounting ledger balance.

4.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1 further comprising a post module configured for posting the at least one consolidated accounting adjustment entry to the accounting consolidation ledger.

5.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1 wherein the proforma accounting consolidation processor further comprises a proforma inter-company eliminations module configured for performing inter-company eliminations on the at least one accounting adjustment entry.

6.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1 wherein the proforma accounting consolidation processor further comprises a proforma NCI eliminations module configured for performing non-controlling interest eliminations on the at least one accounting adjustment entry.

7.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1 wherein the proforma accounting consolidation processor further comprises a proforma equitization module configured for performing equitization on the at least one accounting adjustment entry.

8.   (Currently Amended) A method for consolidating accounting adjustments comprising:

receiving at least one accounting adjustment entry from an accounting adjustment journal;

consolidating the at least one accounting adjustment entry to generate at least one consolidated accounting adjustment entry; and

storing the at least one consolidated accounting adjustment entry in a pending accounting journal.

9.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8 further comprising displaying the at least one consolidated accounting adjustment entry.

10.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8 further comprising displaying at least one proforma accounting ledger balance.

11.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8 further comprising posting the at least one consolidated accounting adjustment entry to the an accounting consolidation ledger.

12.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8 wherein consolidating the at least one accounting adjustment entry further comprises consolidating inter-company eliminations.

13.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8 wherein consolidating the at least one accounting adjustment entry further comprises consolidating non-controlling interest eliminations.

14.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8 wherein consolidating the at least one accounting adjustment entry further comprises performing equitization on the at least one accounting adjustment entry.

15.   (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium having embodied thereon a program, the program being executable by a machine to perform a method for consolidating accounting adjustments comprising:

receiving at least one accounting adjustment entry from an accounting adjustment journal;

consolidating the at least one accounting adjustment entry to generate at least one consolidated accounting adjustment entry; and

storing the at least one consolidated accounting adjustment entry in a accounting pending journal.

16.   (Currently Amended) A method for applying adjustments to a consolidated accounting ledger comprising:

receiving at least one accounting adjustment entry;

consolidating the at least one accounting adjustment entry to generate at least one consolidated accounting adjustment entry; and

posting the at least one consolidatedion accounting adjustment entry to the consolidation accounting ledger.

17.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 16 further comprising storing the at least one consolidated accounting adjustment entry in a accounting pending journal prior to posting.

18.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 16 wherein consolidating the at least one <u>accounting</u> adjustment entry further comprises consolidating inter-company eliminations.

19.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 16 wherein consolidating the at least one <u>accounting</u> adjustment entry further comprises consolidating non-controlling interest eliminations.

20.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 16 wherein consolidating the at least one <u>accounting</u> adjustment entry further comprises performing equitization on the at least one <u>accounting</u> adjustment entry.

21.   (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium having embodied thereon a program, the program being executable by a machine to perform a method for applying <u>accounting</u> adjustments to a consolidated <u>accounting</u> ledger comprising:

receiving at least one <u>accounting</u> adjustment entry;

consolidating the at least one <u>accounting</u> adjustment entry to generate at least one consolidated <u>accounting</u> adjustment entry; and

posting the at least one consolidated <u>accounting</u> adjustment entry to the consolidation <u>accounting</u> ledger.